
DETAILED ACTION

1. Claims 1-38 and 41-44 are presented for examination. Claims 1-3, 5, 8-10, 12, 15-17, 19, 22-23, 25 and 28-33 are hereby cancelled in accordance with the decision of the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences of July 13, 2011.

SPECIFICATION

2. The specification has not been checked to the extent necessary to determine the presence of all possible minor errors. Applicant's cooperation is requested in correcting any errors of which applicant may become aware in the specification.

REQUIREMENTS FOLLOWING BOARD DECISION

3. The Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences affirmed the rejection(s) against independent claim(s) 1, 8, 15, 22 and 28, but dependent claims 4, 6-7, 11, 13-14, 18, 20-21, 24 and 26-27 now need to be rewritten in independent form thereon. The independent claim(s) is/are cancelled by the examiner in accordance with MPEP § 1214.06. Applicant is given a ONE MONTH TIME PERIOD from the mailing date of this letter in which to present the dependent claim(s) in independent form. NO EXTENSIONS OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) WILL BE GRANTED. Failure to comply will result in cancellation of the dependent claims and the application will be allowed with claim(s) 34-38 and 41-11. Prosecution is otherwise closed.

CONCLUSION

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Reba I. Elmore, whose telephone number is (571) 272-4192. The

examiner can normally be reached on Monday and Thursday from 7:30am to 6:00pm, EST.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the art unit supervisor for AU 2189, Reginald G. Bragdon, can be reached for general questions concerning this application at (571) 272-4204. Additionally, the official fax phone number for the art unit is (571) 273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the Tech Center central telephone number is (571) 272-2100.

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